

# Billings Livestock Commission Cattle Auction - Billings, MT (Thu) AMS Livestock, Poultry, & Grain Market News Montana Dept of Ag Mrkt News

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 8/20/2020 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported	Last Year
		8/6/2020	
Total Receipts:	974	1,141	639
Feeder Cattle:	441(45.3%)	203(17.8%)	165(25.8%)
Slaughter Cattle:	328(33.7%)	533(46.7%)	320(50.1%)
Replacement Cattle:	205(21.0%)	405(35.5%)	154(24.1%)

Compared to last sale(8-06-20): Feeder steers and heifers were too lightly tested last sale to develop any market trend. Yearling quality was mostly average to attractive, however quality overall was not as attractive as last sale. Demand was mostly light to moderate for light offerings. Spring born calves sold on mostly good demand. Many calves were in light flesh due to drought conditions. Market activity this week was mostly slow to moderate. Fewer market participants were seen this sale compared to last sale. Weigh up cows sold on light to moderate demand for mostly light to moderate offerings. Packers showed mostly light to moderate demand for slaughter cows this sale. Slaughter cows sold mostly 3.00-6.00 lower than two weeks ago. Feeding cows sold 1.00-3.00 lower as lighter demand from packer buyers allowed cow prices to fall. Cow quality this sale was mostly average. Many cows had freshly weaned calves split off of them. Additionally, many cows were in very light to light flesh as parts of Montana and Wyoming are very dry. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 3.00-6.00 lower. Young age cows were very lightly tested and sold as feeding cows. Supply included: 45% Feeder Cattle (48% Steers, 50% Heifers, 3% Bulls); 34% Slaughter Cattle (71% Cows, 29% Bulls); 21% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 73%.

# **FEEDER CATTLE**

# STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	
8	326	326	175.00	175.00	Unweaned
30	409-438	413	167.50-175.00	168.77	Unweaned
7	455-462	460	164.00	164.00	Unweaned
25	657-692	672	146.00-149.00	147.62	
16	818-843	828	142.50-145.25	144.47	
6	850-868	859	135.50-145.50	140.45	
35	915-938	937	130.00	130.00	

#### STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	690	690	141.00	141.00
3	897	897	127.00	127.00
6	978	978	120.50	120.50

### STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
4	1006	1006	121.00	121.00
4	1091	1091	115.50	115.50

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# STEERS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
9	1003-1015	1010	116.00-117.00	116.56

#### HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	
17	315-318	318	170.00	170.00	Unweaned
26	387-388	388	155.00-161.00	156.38	Unweaned
8	879	879	133.50	133.50	
27	891	891	124.00	124.00	Full
26	924-943	938	128.75-130.50	129.21	
13	960-998	969	125.25-128.50	127.73	

#### HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
5	796	796	128.00	128.00
3	903	903	121.00	121.00

#### HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
30	1004	1004	126.50	126.50
6	1053	1053	127.50	127.50
2	1163	1163	109.00	109.00

# BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	1047	1047	98.00	98.00
2	1205-1225	1215	78.00-83.75	80.90
4	1355-1390	1366	79.75-84.00	81.25

# **SLAUGHTER CATTLE**

# COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<b>Dressing</b>	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Average	63.30	62.50-65.00	1523	1470-1550	3
Low	60.37	59.00-61.50	1575	1430-1720	2

#### COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Dressing</u>	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Average	63.26	62.00-66.00	1399	1337-1565	23
High	68.49	67.50-70.00	1450	1370-1565	7

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# COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

	<u>Dressing</u>	Avg Price	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
	Average	62.23	61.00-63.75	1251	1140-1380	23
	High	66.00	66.00	1200	1200	1
	Low	56.57	53.00-59.50	1160	1030-1305	139
Light Weight	Low	54.50	53.00-56.00	918	915-920	2
	Very Low	51.00	51.00	1175	1175	1

# BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<b>Dressing</b>	Avg Price	Price Range	Avg Wt	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Average	85.34	81.00-90.00	1821	1475-2290	76
High	93.42	91.00-96.00	1928	1190-2175	9
Low	76.26	71.00-78.50	1551	1410-1710	5

#### REPLACEMENT CATTLE

### STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	
<2	Ο	15	759-1185	827	75.50-89.00	85.64	
2-4	Ο	9	1015-1335	1166	64.50-74.50	70.14	
2-4	Ο	1	1055	1055	63.00	63.00	Thin Fleshed
5-8	Ο	40	1397-1595	1453	64.50-68.50	66.20	
>8	Ο	125	1215-1633	1325	59.50-64.50	61.77	

#### Please Note:

The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

#### **Explanatory Notes:**

Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months; E = Exposed; B = Bred)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.